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BOOK REVIEWS.

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Where the People Rule, or The Initiative and Referendum, Direct Primary Law and the Recall in Use in the State of Oregon. By Gilbert L. Hedges, B. A., LL. B., San Francisco, Bender-Moss Company, Law Publishers and Booksellers. 1914.

This book is a very timely and exceedingly interesting contribution to one of the most important questions of the day and is worthy of the attention of those who wish to study this question. We must confess that a rather hasty perusal of the volume has not impressed us with the idea that the rule of the people as a people is any better than the rule of the people through their chosen representatives—in our judgment the ideal form of government—but at the same time this work is worthy of perusal and can be read in the course of a couple of hours.

The Lawyers Reports Annotated—New Series, Book 51. Burdett A. Rich, Henry P. Farham, Editors. 1914. Rochester, N. Y. The Lawyers Co-Operative Publishing Company. \$5.00.

Volume 51 contains a valuable note on page 1047 in regard to the Advisability of Insurance, and on page 1092 an exceedingly interesting note on the Responsibility of an Infant for the Tort of His Servant or Agent. The note on page 686 as to Validity of Statute Ordinance or Contract Fixing Minimum Wage for Person employed upon Public Work is timely and valuable; whilst a note which will delight the real estate lawyer is found on page 485—"Effect of Limitation over in Case the Person to Whom Property is Given in the First Instance Dies without Lawful Descendants, Issue, Children, Heirs of the Body, etc., to Give to his Issue an Interest by Implication, Either by Way of Remainder, Executory Devise, or Substantial Gift."

The note on page 137, "Liability of Taxing Officer to Individual for Nonfeasance, Misfeasance or Malfeasance," is upon a somewhat novel topic and may prove of considerable interest in Virginia in the course of the next few years.

Bender's War Revenue Law, 1914, An Act to Increase the Internal Revenue and for Other Purposes, Approved October 22, 1914. Annotated, with Reference to Earlier Acts and to Other Extant Laws. Table of Cases, Index, etc. By the Publishers Editorial Staff. Albany, New York. Matthew Bender & Company. 1914. Price \$2.00.

The new Internal Revenue Law goes into force the day the REGISTER should reach its readers, and we advise them without delay to send at once for a copy of this admirable volume, which then becomes almost a necessity to the lawyer and business man. Within the Compass of this little work is to be found the whole Emergency Revenue Act of 1914, with a summary of the law with reference to adjudicated decisions under former acts, English precedents, and department rulings. Careful annotation with reference to former statutes and rulings is given, and in view of the fact that there were 4431 cases on Internal Revenue Law pending in the Federal Court, the importance of a work of this character can be seen at once. We recommend it most heartily and believe it will be of vast and immediate use.